



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Medical Assistance
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Medical Assistance Program
Municipally Based Health Services
Bulletin 1
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TO: Municipally Based Health Services Providers Participating in the Medical Assistance Program

FROM: Bruce M. Bullen, Commissioner *BMB*

RE: PROCEDURE CODES AND PER DIEM RATES

Introduction

The Division has determined per diem rates for municipally based health services providers to bill the Division for special-education students. These rates have been approved by the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA). Following is a listing of all per diem rates and service codes applicable to municipally based health care services.

Codes and Rates

PROTOTYPE	CODE	DESCRIPTION	RATE
502.6	X7666	.6 Residential Placement and .5 Cost Share	\$48.35
502.5	X7665	.5 Day Placement	\$44.64
502.4	X7664	.4 Separate Placement	\$24.38
502.3	X7663	Public Day Program	\$11.15
502.2	X7663	Public Day Program	\$11.15
502.1	X7663	Public Day Program	\$11.15

Retroactive Claiming

Claims for service code X7666 may be submitted for dates of service on or after September 12, 1992. Claims for all other service codes (X7665, X7664, and X7663) may be submitted for dates of service on or after December 5, 1992. Each claim must be received by Unisys within 24 months after the date of service. Claims received after the 24-month deadline are not eligible for reimbursement.

Claims Adjustment

Providers may have submitted claims using interim per diem rates issued prior to this bulletin. It is not necessary to resubmit any claims that have appeared on a remittance advice with a "paid" status. The Division will automatically adjust the claims. The Office of the State Treasurer is responsible for distributing to the city, town, or regional school district the appropriate amount of federal Medicaid reimbursement.

Federal Reimbursement

A percentage of the federal share of the per diem rate will be returned to the city, town, or regional school district on a quarterly basis. The disbursement is currently scheduled to occur during the third week of April, July, October, and January. The federal share is 50 percent of the per diem rate for all prototypes. However, for the 502.6 residential placements, the city, town, or regional school district will receive 25 percent of the per diem rate. The remaining 25 percent will be retained by the Commonwealth as reimbursement for the state contribution to the student's tuition rate.

Questions

If you have any questions concerning the information in this bulletin, please call the Provider Services Unit at Unisys at (617) 628-4141 or 1-800-325-5231.

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